

REMARKS

In the Restriction Requirement dated April 28, 2009, the Examiner requires the application to be restricted to one of the following inventions:

- Group I: claims 1-20, drawn to a method of making a surface covering.
- Group II: claims 21-25, drawn to a surface covering.

Applicant respectfully elects Group II, claims 21-25, drawn to a surface covering, without traverse for prosecution on the merits. The Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a divisional application for any non-elected subject matter in this application.

Applicants submit that such election is fully responsive to the Office Action dated April 28, 2009. Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time, required under 37 CFR 1.136 for entry and consideration of this reply.

Any fees due with respect to this reply or otherwise concerning this application are to be charged to Deposit Account 06-1130 maintained by Applicant's attorneys. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's attorneys at the below-listed telephone number regarding this reply or otherwise concerning the instant application.

Respectfully submitted,

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